



Town of Groton, Connecticut

Meeting Agenda

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Town Clerk 860-441-6640
Town Manager 860-441-6630

Town Council

Mayor James L. Streeter, Councilors Bruce S. Flax, Bill Johnson, Catherine Kolnaski, Deborah B. Monteiro, Frank O'Beirne, Jr., Deborah L. Peruzzotti, Paulann H. Sheets, and Harry A. Watson

Tuesday, April 19, 2011

7:30 PM

Town Hall Annex - Community Room 1

REGULAR MEETING

I. ROLL CALL

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

III. RECOGNITION, AWARDS & MEMORIALS

2011-0102 Proclamation Recognizing Earth Day

Proclamation - TC

IV. RECEIPT OF CITIZENS' PETITIONS, COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

This is the portion of the Council Agenda where the Council welcomes comments from citizens. Each presentation should be limited to five (5) minutes or less, and citizens should, if possible, submit written comments. Presentations should be related to matters pertinent to Groton. Town Councilors will only ask questions in order to clarify the speaker's presentation and can respond during the Responses to Citizens' Petitions portion of the Town Council meeting. Citizens should make their presentations from the lectern and state their names and addresses for the record.

V. RESPONSES TO CITIZENS' PETITIONS, COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under Item VI (Consent Calendar) are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion of these items will take place, unless cause is shown prior to the time Council votes on the motion to adopt.

a. Approval of Minutes

2011-0104 Approval of Minutes (Town Council)

Resolution - Consent

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Town Council meeting of April 5, 2011 are hereby accepted and approved.

b. Administrative Items

2011-0088 Special Trust Fund Contributions

Resolution - Consent

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPECIAL TRUST FUNDS

RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby accepts contributions to the Town as follows:

Mr. Langdon - \$100.00 - DARE Miscellaneous
Lee Vincent - \$50.00 - Social Services Discretionary
Anonymous - \$50.00 - Social Services Discretionary
Telemark Films, LLC - \$300.00 - Jabez Smith House

2011-0092 Tax Refund

Resolution - Consent

RESOLUTION APPROVING TAX REFUND

WHEREAS, the following, for the reason indicated, has overpaid taxes in the amount specified, and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has recommended the amount be refunded, be it

RESOLVED, that the tax refunds indicated below are hereby approved.

Groton Open Space Association Inc. - \$430.41 - Excess Payments

c. Deletions from the Town Council Referral List

2010-0192	Interlocal Dispatching Agreement with North Stonington	Referral
2011-0085	Acceptance of Portions of Roads in the Crosswinds Subdivision	Referral
2011-0087	Summer Food Service Program (2011)	Referral
2011-0090	FYE 2011 Fourth Quarter Transfers	Referral
2011-0093	Pfizer Grant - TRI Program	Referral
2011-0095	Authorization to Prepare Bond Ordinance for Water Pollution Control Facility Refurbishments	Referral
2011-0096	Reauthorization of Water Pollution Control Facility Additions and Improvements	Referral

VII. COMMUNICATION REPORTS (Other than Committee Reports)

- a. Town Councilors
- b. Clerk of the Representative Town Meeting
- c. Clerk of the Council
- d. Town Manager
- e. Town Attorney

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Community & Cultural Development - Chairman Peruzzotti
- b. Economic Development - Chairman Johnson
- c. Education/Health & Social Services - Chairman Kolnaski
- d. Environment/Energy - Chairman Sheets
- e. Finance - Chairman O'Beirne
- f. Personnel/Appointments/Rules - Chairman Flax
- g. Public Safety - Chairman Monteiro
- h. Public Works/Recreation - Chairman Watson
- i. Committee of the Whole - Mayor Streeter

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

X. NEW BUSINESS

2010-0192	Interlocal Dispatching Agreement with North Stonington	Referral
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RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL DISPATCHING AGREEMENT WITH NORTH

STONINGTON

WHEREAS, the Town Attorney prepared a draft interlocal agreement for the Town to continue providing emergency dispatching services to the Town of North Stonington, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Sec. 7-339c the Town Council conducted a public hearing on the agreement on April 5, 2011 at which no public comments were received, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council authorizes Town Manager Mark R. Oefinger to execute the interlocal "Agreement Between Town of Groton and Town of North Stonington Regarding Provision of Emergency Dispatching Services."

Legislative History

9/9/2010 Mayor Referred Town Council Committee of the

9/14/2010 Town Council Committee of the Whole Discussed

The Town has been providing dispatching services to North Stonington for many years under a working agreement. However, state statutes require an interlocal governmental agreement in writing. The Town Attorney has prepared a draft agreement and outlined the steps necessary to enter into the agreement. The next step is a public hearing. There are no changes anticipated to the arrangement.

9/28/2010 Town Council Committee of the Whole Discussed

This item was discussed at the last Committee of the Whole meeting. The next step is to schedule a public hearing, but a specific date has not yet been identified and will be included in the ultimate resolution.

9/28/2010 Town Council Committee of the Whole Motion

to schedule a public hearing on the Interlocal Dispatching Agreement with North Stonington

4/5/2011 Town Council Heard at Public Hearing

Mayor Streeter called a recess for the Public Hearing at 8:12 p.m.

The Notice of Public Hearing pursuant to a resolution passed by the Town Council was read by Town Clerk Betsy Moukawsher.

Mayor Streeter called for citizen comments; there being none, he closed the Public Hearing at 8:13 p.m.

4/12/2011 Town Council Committee of the Whole Discussed

4/12/2011 Town Council Committee of the Whole Recommended for a Resolution

2011-0085 Acceptance of Portions of Roads in the Crosswinds Subdivision Referral

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PORTIONS OF ROADS IN THE CROSSWINDS SUBDIVISION

WHEREAS, the Crosswinds Subdivision was approved by the Planning Commission on July 16, 1996, and

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2011 the Planning Commission recommended acceptance of the roads serving 13 lots in Phase IV of the subdivision (portions of Crosswinds Drive and Leeward Lane), now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby accepts the portions of Crosswinds Drive and Leeward Lane in Phase IV of the Crosswinds Subdivision.

Legislative History

3/25/2011 Mayor Referred Town Council Committee of the

2011-0087	4/12/2011 Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	Referral
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RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS TO OPERATE A 2011 SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN IN GROTON

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Agriculture provides funding through the Connecticut State Department of Education, Child Nutrition Programs, for a Summer Food Service Program for Children, and

WHEREAS, the Summer Food Service Program for Children promotes and provides good nutrition during the summer months when at-risk, low-income children are not receiving the benefits of the Federal School Breakfast/Lunch Program through their schools, and

WHEREAS, units of local government may act as sponsors for the Summer Food Service Program and the Town of Groton is capable of administering Groton's Summer Food Service Program for Children, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Manager, Mark R. Oefinger, is authorized to enter into an agreement with the Connecticut State Department of Education, Child Nutrition Programs for the purpose of establishing and operating a Groton based Summer Food Service Program for Children, overseen by the Parks and Recreation Department and Administrative Services Department, during the months of June, July and August 2011 and sign claims for reimbursement, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that in the absence or incapacity of the first designated individual (Town Manager Oefinger), the Town Finance Director, Salvatore M. Pandolfo, is designated to sign claims for reimbursement.

Legislative History

3/29/2011	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of th
4/12/2011	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	
4/12/2011	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	

2011-0090 **FYE 2011 Fourth Quarter Transfers** **Referral**

RESOLUTION FOR FYE 2011 FOURTH QUARTER TRANSFERS

WHEREAS, the Town Charter provides for supplemental appropriations to Adopted Budgets and transfers from the Contingency function during the year and

WHEREAS, the Town Charter also provides for the transfer of funds from one departmental function to another departmental function during the last three months of the fiscal year, and

WHEREAS, transfers are necessary and represent expenditures that were unforeseen or unexpected at the time the FYE 2011 budget was adopted, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that \$186,545 be transferred from the General Fund Contingency function (#1074) to the following General Fund departments/functions:

Voter Registration (#10031) @ \$24,000:
for costs associated with a June 21, 2011 primary election for Judge of Probate.

Public Works (#10356) @ \$162,545:

for costs associated with the number of winter storms.

Refer to RTM.

Legislative History

4/1/2011	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of the
4/12/2011	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	
4/12/2011	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	

2011-0093 Pfizer Grant - TRI Program

Referral

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GROTON SENIOR CENTER TO PARTICIPATE IN A PFIZER GRANT

WHEREAS, the Senior Centers of Groton, East Lyme, and Waterford wish to establish the Three Region Impact (TRI) Program to encourage and support seniors who want to take an active approach to improving their health, and

WHEREAS, the TRI Program will build on the Nurse Managed Wellness Clinics currently offered at the three centers by offering a comprehensive referral program for older adults with chronic conditions, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Waterford will apply for a \$10,250 grant from Pfizer Inc. and act as the fiduciary for the program, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the the Town Council authorizes the Groton Senior Center to participate with East Lyme and Waterford in the Pfizer grant for the purposes of establishing the TRI Program.

Legislative History

4/5/2011	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of the
4/12/2011	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	
4/12/2011	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	

2011-0095 Authorization to Prepare Bond Ordinance for Water Pollution Control Facility Refurbishments

Referral

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PREPARATION OF A BOND ORDINANCE AND OTHER RESOLUTIONS FOR WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY REFURBISHMENTS

WHEREAS, the Town Council has reviewed a proposal for the renovation of existing structures at the Water Pollution Control Facility including the Effluent Pump Station, Secondary Clarifier No. 2, and Gravity Thickeners, and

WHEREAS, the Town Council considers it appropriate to present the project to the Town's voters in a bond referendum, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Town staff and the Town bond attorney are authorized to prepare a bond ordinance to be introduced by the Town Council, along with other resolutions as necessary.

Legislative History

4/6/2011	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of the
4/12/2011	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	

2011-0096	4/12/2011	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	Referral
Reauthorization of Water Pollution Control Facility Additions and Improvements				

RESOLUTION REAPPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR WATER POLLUTION CONTROL
FACILITY ADDITIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

WHEREAS, \$3,400,000 was appropriated in a FYE 2007 Capital Improvement Project to be used with existing bond funding and state grants for the Water Pollution Control Facility Additions and Improvements Project, and

WHEREAS, the project will not be complete by June 30, 2011, as the final agreement between all parties involved in the failure of screens will not be executed and work completed by June 30, 2011, and

WHEREAS, the approximate \$372,000 remaining unexpended funds appropriated for this project will expire on June 30, 2011 and revert to the Capital Reserve Fund balance for Water Pollution Control Facility projects, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that \$325,000 is reappropriated from the Capital Reserve fund balance for the Water Pollution Control Facility Additions and Improvements Project as an FYE 2011 Capital Reserve project for costs associated with the completion of this project.

Legislative History

4/6/2011	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of the
4/12/2011	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	
4/12/2011	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	

XI. OTHER BUSINESS

XII. ADJOURNMENT